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THE WHEAT POOL

Judging from the way the different districts throughout the province are organizing for the wheat pool there can be no doubt as to the feeling of the farmers in this respect.

The wave of enthusiasm which is sweeping over the west and the manner in which the different farmers' organizations are taking advantage of every opportunity to acquire information and assist in every possible way, must surprise and encourage those who are taking a leading part in the movement.

One strong argument which has been used by those who did not want a pool or were indifferent to the formation of one, was that the farmers themselves would never stick together. As proof of this reference would be made to the several attempts made by farmers in the past for similar organizations and of past failures because of lack of co-operation on the part of those most concerned.

Of course it is too early yet to say that this will not be the case again in connection with the wheat pool. Similar waves of enthusiasm have passed over this country and have died down for reasons above stated. But it is doubtful if ever before there was such unanimity and such determination to see anything through to a finish as there is now in connection with the wheat pool and co-operative marketing. For this reason we may look for a greater measure of success in this venture than has ever been attained in any similar movement in the past.

It is the intention of those at the head of the movement to try and get the organization sufficiently well in hand to handle this year's crop. This is what all are hoping for, but great care should be taken to see that all the machinery is in good running order before putting it in operation for handling this year's crop. This is especially essential since so much of the success of the system in the future will depend on the success of the first year of the venture this season.

For this reason every local and every individual farmer who is in sympathy with the movement should give it every assistance and support possible.

A ROTTEN MESS

If one is to judge from the evidence being submitted at the sitting of the royal grain commission there is little doubt that the farmers of the prairie provinces have been systematically robbed by some of the grain companies for several years past. Neither can it be gainsaid that the buyers for these companies have been forced into dishonest and illegal actions because of the threats and intimidation issued by representatives of those companies. That such a state of affairs as this exist in a young country like Canada, is indeed deplorable, and makes us ask: "Is it any wonder we are not growing, developing and prospering as we should?"

To be sure these grain companies are paying the charges and they are employing the very best legal talent in the country to defend them. It is only natural that they should. However, we all know that where there's smoke there's fire and

there has been enough come out at the investigation held so far to convince any one with an open mind that all has not been right in the grain marketing business.

Unfortunately it is beginning to look as though those making the charges are not sufficiently armed with documentary evidence to place the misdoings where they belong. The companies concerned were smart enough to see that, as all their instructions were delivered verbally by their faithful emissaries.

Townpeople as well as farmers are anxious to see this investigation carried through to a finish, and are looking to the commission to see that no stone is left unturned to expose what looks from this distance like a rotten mess.

GRASSHOPPERS

Those who were prone to make light of the government's efforts to combat the grasshopper menace last year will no doubt change their views when they learn of the destruction caused by these pests in Montana this season.

There is no doubt that if it had not been for the thorough and systematic campaign carried on by the government officials in this province last year and this season Alberta's experience would have been the same as Montana's. But it should be remembered that the danger is by no means over yet. If it should happen that these full grown pests which have been creating such havoc in Montana, should take a notion to come up this way they could still do a deal of damage. In fact we are informed that right now farmers near

the boundary are being forced to cut their crops to save them from the hoppers, and are spreading poison on the ground in an effort to protect the later crops.

The news report that twenty-four persons were killed in one day in motor accidents on multi-way crossings, should be an object lesson to the thousands of motorists who are at this time of year motoring through the country on holiday trips. All railroad crossings are plainly marked; all trains make considerable noise and most of them whistle freely. For these reasons there should be no excuse for accidents if motorists would get a little more of the stop, look and listen habit.

The work done on the road between here and Medicine Hat reminds one of the old days of Studebaker labor. The way this road has looked as though the workmen were in a hurry to get home to feed the hens.

The wise guy says flowery language is only permissible when the flowers are fresh.

CALGARY OIL REFINERY

IS NEARING COMPLETION
The \$2,000,000 refinery of the Imperial Oil Limited in Calgary is nearly nearing completion and the plant will be running in September with 400 skilled men constantly employed. The company is already getting a trainload of crude oil every week from Montana.

LARGE OIL REFINERY

FOR FORT MCMURRAY
It is understood that the Athabasca Refining Process will build a 200-barrel oil refinery at Fort McMurray this summer for the extraction of petroleum products from the Athabasca sands. They are planning to equip their plant with the latest machinery and will start operations about September 1.

GENERAL NEWS

Restoration of the privilege extended to returned soldiers of converting a homestead exemption into a grant under the Soldier Settlement Board was announced by the Dominion Command of the G. W. V. A.

Reports have reached the British Government of an attempt to set up a republic in Greece in place of the monarchy. Ronald MacLellan, under secretary for foreign affairs, told the House of Commons.

Toronto and Winnipeg have started organizations, the primary object of which is to discourage wars in future. Their motto is "No More Wars."

The rescue party at the Malby Colliery, near Sheffield, England, where through an explosion many miners were entombed, were obliged to give up the work during the night. Only one body has thus far been recovered. The official estimate of the dead is 27.

THIRTEEN ARE KILLED ON LEVEL CROSSINGS

Nine persons were killed when a Pennsylvania passenger train crashed into an automobile at a level crossing, eight miles west of Philadelphia. The train was traveling about 30 miles an hour, and two hours later a freight train crashed into a car at Highland, Illinois, in which four persons were killed.

CATTLE SHIPMENT TO BRITAIN ARE INCREASING

The first official figures on the movement of Canadian cattle to Great Britain under the new import regulations show that since January to June 30, shipments have increased 4000 per cent. over those for the same period last year. A total of 19,008 head of cattle have been sent to the Kingdom from January to June 30, compared with 4,000 in the same period a year ago.

Q: "I hear Tom was in a motor car accident and went over an embankment. Was it one of these dangerous curves?"
A: No. He had his arm around the wheel.

Six Semi-Monthly Croq Report

Issued by Publicity Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, Saturday, July 28.

Alberta crops are progressing satisfactorily towards harvesting stage. Although the precipitation has diminished in most districts since the first fortnight, there is sufficient moisture in the soil to carry the grain to maturity in practically all sections of the province.

Quickly all wheat is now headed out, and is filling rapidly, and well. The stand of this grain in most districts is very heavy, and is from four to five feet and even more in height. Grain and barley are heading out and promise a good yield.

Haying is in progress over the province, and the yield of native grasses is very heavy, although the timothy crop will be light. The first cutting of alfalfa has yielded well and the second growth is showing a good stand.

Harvesting of wheat will commence in a few districts in the province as early as August 10, but will not be general until between the 15 and 20. The weather generally speaking has been very warm, with a few showers in one or two districts in the south and eastern part of the province, the hot weather has produced slight drought conditions but the grain has benefited to say appreciable extent. Grasshoppers are still causing some injury in a few districts in the south, and there have been one or two serious flights. Little damage, however, is reported as yet.

Stomachs are suffering from damage from hail has been serious in some districts in a limited area, where the extent of damage has ranged from 25 to 75 per cent. large number of claims have been received at the headquarters of the municipal hail board, but the majority are for comparatively small amounts. The percentage of loss from this cause in the province as a whole will not be great.

The latest estimate of the number of sheep in the province at the close of the season is 12,000. The department of labor is exerting every effort to fill the demand. Excursions to the west will commence to arrive August 7, and the first party will visit Alberta on August 8 and 10. Appeals to employers in the province are being made to release as many employees as possible for the harvest season.

Farmers are reminded that it may not be possible to secure men on exact terms they are needed. If they are asked where possible to take men on an "as" or two previous to commencement of harvest, is order that they may be taken care of.

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CANADIANS have always been noted for courage, optimism and faith in their country.

Canada was not built up by pessimists, nor will Canada continue to develop if her people allow themselves to become croakers and grouches. Canada is fundamentally an agricultural country. We have a soil and climate which can grow the world's finest agricultural products.

Canadian farmers have earned the capital invested in their farms out of profits in farming as are numbered in thousands. These successful farmers have paid off their mortgages, stocked their barns and stables, bought their machinery, made a good thing of it and brought up their families. It meant hard work, but today they are independent.

The quantity and the quality of the products and the cost of production in competitive countries is beyond our control. Prices of agricultural products are regulated by world supply and demand.

Hence, decreasing production will not help the Canadian farmer.

Money in Mixed Farming

In recent years, at different points on the prairie, one could find a steer brought from 70c to \$1.07 at the Fort William price of 42c per bushel, while barley used for the same purpose has brought an high as 99c against the Fort William price of 39c per bushel. Farmers marketing their coarse grains in the way lower marketing cost have a sure market and make money on their grain, while at the same time they market their roughage, otherwise often wasted. The cattle embargo is now off. Steers are worth more money and certain to make good money for the Canadian farmer from now on.

Money in Pigs

The Dominion Experimental Farm has proved by actual test that there is a profit in selling pigs. Last year the Central Farm, Ottawa, after paying

for feed, labor, interest and depreciation, the net profit per pig was still \$4.63.

Profits from Sheep

As money-makers, sheep are hard to beat. In early 1922, a flock of 1000 Edward Island to British Columbia are found many fleeces returning generous profits to their owners.

Poultry Pays

Poultry makes money for those who adopt modern methods. Eggs, whether East or West, Little Prince Edward Island markets co-operatively in carloads, shipping annually upwards of one million dozen eggs. The British Columbia Co-operative Poultry Men's Exchange markets in the same way, thus saving rugged gain in their local market.

There is a market for good Canadian hares, whether light or draught.

Grow Seed

Canada's Northern grown seed possesses extra quality. There is a large market for it to the south. Canadian seed is in demand for export.

The Future

Ten years from now the pessimists of today will have been forgotten. Britain has removed the embargo against our cattle. She wants our beef and bacon, our cheese, butter, eggs and apples, our wheat and flour. As the population of the United States increases, she will continue to demand less and less grain from the British market. Eventually, she will regard us as an important source of food stuffs besides wheat, from this country.

Canada has the men, the climate, the land, the stock and the potential markets necessary for agricultural success. Let us farm with all the industry and science we can muster, and let us sell and pay our debts. Canada is moving forward with confidence in its future. Let us keep going ahead.

Have Faith in Canada

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Methods Used To Secure Best Results In Making Hay From Clover Or Alfalfa

One of the difficulties in the way of the adoption of sweet clover and alfalfa is a misapprehension that throughout the west is the fact that they are more difficult to handle in making for hay than the grasses. They are much harder to dry out and more subject to damage. While it is hard to aerate to consider the two crops in the same way yet there is enough similarity that the same treatment may be applied for both. The difference is one of degree rather than kind. Sweet Clover presents the same kind of difficulties as alfalfa but to a much greater degree.

These difficulties arise due to a very heavy juicy stem which is slow to dry out and to the leaves which dry very quickly and when dry become brittle and break off. The stems of the sweet clover being much larger and heavier than those of the grasses, and the leaves fewer, the difficulty is greatly increased with that crop.

Now, these difficulties are by no means insurmountable. They have been presented frankly so that new growers of these crops will understand why they have been handled differently. But if they are handled properly alfalfa at last can be made the very finest and most palatable and sweet clover little but at least reasonably edible and palatable.

The first and most important step in the prevention of too rapid drying of the leaves. The moisture that must be expelled before the green folds in the leaves is usually the stems. The leaves are the means of pumping this out of the stems. So long as the leaves are moist they are evaporating moisture, but when they dry up they are closed as avenues of evaporation, and the leaves in the stems are not so digestible then as when they are rich in food elements and more digestible than when they are so rich as to be brittle as to break off when they readily do, the loss of food value is serious.

The way, therefore to handle these crops into dry stems in coils, and not in bales. They should be rolled up and baled before the leaves dry. In bright hot weather they should be taken and baled the same day as cut. In cloudy weather the next day will be about right. Hand-made coils, or of course, bales, but under present labor conditions hardly practicable if any considerable area is grown.

Stems should be the horse ration but not good for sale very much better than not cutting at all. Small coils are best; large ones become too solid so that the horse cannot get at them and instead of drying the hay turns yellow. The hay should be left in the coil for several days depending on the weather. In hot weather the coils of alfalfa hay for storage the moisture in the stems should be judiciously rather than the leaves. If it should not be possible to twist justing it to be done, the stems should be kept and the bottoms loosened out at five days before baling so that the dampness may be dried out of the lower layers.

In order to make the best use of sweet clover hay, it may be grown mixed with bromegrass. This mixture is much easier to make into hay than the sweet clover alone. It is not necessary to mix alfalfa with a grass to make the finest kind of hay. If it is mixed with grass, western grass is the best to mix with it.

Some Strange Chinese Beliefs

The sun walks so fast across the sky that he wears out his hooves of straw sandals. That when it rains softly, the dragon is playing with his pearls. That the lightning runs ahead to show the thunder where to strike. That an eclipse is caused by a dragon trying to swallow the sun. That the rainbow is alive and will eat children up if it catches them. That beautiful flowers are the homes of wicked little spirits. If the flowers are plucked the spirits will revenge themselves on those who gathered them.

B.C. Lumber For South Sea Islands

The South Sea Islands are a considerable lumber market for British Columbia mills each year. Much of it is shipped in knocked-down shape and is used to build trading posts and white men's quarters in the various groups of islands.

Construction In Saskatchewan

During the month of April, 1922, the amount of building construction actually started in the province of Saskatchewan totaled \$50,081, of which brick buildings totaled \$24,000, residential \$22,200, commercial \$3,600, and the balance industrial.

Taken Men Years To Conquer Air Birds Taken As Copies For First Flying Machines

As you watch a ceiling, dipping airplane, do you ever stop to think how long men have been trying to fly? For five thousand years, at least, men have been trying to conquer the air, and only within the last few years have they had any success.

Naturally enough, most of the early attempts at flying machines were along the general lines of a bird, because the things which men did fly were birds. Unfortunately, birds were such poor models as it was possible for man to imitate. Wings which flap up and down are all right for birds, but not at all adapted for mechanical flight.

Someone noticed that heated air would carry a paper bag or a silk bag upward if it were confined in the bag. This led to balloon experiments and was of first, very great, but which have resulted in the gigantic airships of today, patterned after the Zeppelin type.

The third false start in building flying machines was the effort to build a plane which would fly straight, on the ground by means of a horizontal propeller. Such types of machines are called helicopters, and are just starting to have a tiny bit of success today.

Yellow River To Be Returned To Original Course

The Yellow River, China's most treacherous waterway, which caused incalculable damage when it broke its banks two years ago and made a new channel, is to be returned to its original course. Fourteen thousand laborers are engaged in the building of dykes, and it is expected to cost to create the number to 20,000.

W. H. Maloney, Executive Secretary of the China International Famine Relief Commission, estimated the cost of corralling the Yellow River at \$150,000 Chinese currency, of which sum the finance committee of the Government Relief Bureau has provided \$300,000.

May Build Railway In China

Reported That Canadian Company May Secure Contract For New Road.

According to word received from China, the Northern Construction Company, of Vancouver and Winnipeg, has secured a contract to build 1,200 miles of railway from Canton to Chengtu. Mr. C. M. Cumming, Vice-President of the company, who is recently returned from China, will neither confirm or deny this report. It is believed, however, that the Sun Yat Sen Government can arrange the financing, the undertaking will be assured.

Manitoba Good Roads

Expenditures on roads in Manitoba this year will amount to \$255,000, according to announcement by Hon. W. H. Clubb, Minister of Public Works. Of this sum \$122,500 will be contributed by the province, \$50,000 by the Dominion, and \$82,500 by the municipalities.

Made Him Homesick

"What the door!" yelled the rough man. "Where were you raised—in a barn?"

The man addressed complied, told the speaker, looking at him a moment longer, observed that he was 10 years old. Going over to his victim, he apologized.

"Oh, come," he said, apologetically, "you shouldn't take it to heart because I asked if you were raised in a barn."

"That's it, that's it," sobbed the other man. "I was raised in a barn and it makes me homesick every time I hear an 'ah' hay."

Increase In Butter

Official returns from Ontario show the following increase by provinces of the manufacture of creamery butter in 1922 compared with 1921: Prince Edward Island, 30,078 lbs.; Nova Scotia, 201,798 lbs.; New Brunswick, 66,801 lbs.; Quebec, 4,050,941 lbs.; Ontario, 7,523,148 lbs.; Manitoba, 1,045,727 lbs.; Alberta, 2,129,897 lbs.; and British Columbia, 95,113 lbs.

"Biting" Retort

"I like cheerfulness. I admire any one who sings at his work." "How low must I be a songstress?" Boston Transcript.

Words Fall the Average Woman

only when she is about to offend her own father.

WESTERN EDITORS

Renovated Butcher

"Renovated butchers were clean, garish," was the subject of a debate in the House of Commons in connection with the resolution of Hon. W. J. Mott, Minister of Agriculture, to amend the Dairy Act. The resolution, which proposes to allow the importation, manufacture and sale of renovated butter in Canada, caused much opposition and after two hours debate the minister proposed that it be held over, at the same time intimating that he was willing to consider the matter.

Hon. K. P. Tolan, ex-Minister of Agriculture, led the opposition to the bill, while W. E. Carroll, Liberal, Cape Breton South, who moved the resolution, favoring the sale of oleo, joined in warmly.

"The minister is creating a new industry," said Mr. Carroll: "he will have to have people going about crying 'old rags and bottles'." Now we will have them coming about our backyards, crying 'Willy butter, dirty but good'."

Mr. Mott defended renovated butter as a solution of the problem of "glush spread on bread," and defended it as "about halfway between creamery butter and oleomargarine."

Says Tarantula Not Dangerous

Healthy Blood Immune From Poison. A theory of Arkansas Professor.

A professor of the University of Arkansas makes a tarantula little more dangerous to the ordinary healthy person than common spiders. To prove this theory he induced a tarantula to bite him several times. The poison caused his fingers to swell a little, but he gains immunity after two hours.

The professor believes that, if illness results from the bite of a tarantula, it is because of victim's blood is in a quivering condition.

Boom In Steel Products

Financial writers are commenting on the improved outlook for steel companies in Canada with the recovery of the railways into the market for steel equipment.

As an example it is the Rail Road, Marine plants of the Algoma Steel Corporation are expected to receive substantial orders of ten houses each on the manufacture of rails and big iron for Canadian railways. Between 20,000 and 40,000 men are employed.

In France it is in part owing to any kind of solid food to a large number of men, unless it is prohibited in writing by a regularly qualified medical man.

Increase In Immigration

Gain Shown in Number of Immigrants From Great Britain.

During the first six months of 1922 and May, 25,017 immigrants entered Canada, or 1.4 per cent. over the total for the corresponding six months of last year.

Immigration from Great Britain alone during the first six months showed an increase of 100 per cent. compared with the same period of last year.

Immigration from the United States has been steadily growing during the last few months. In May 1922, 2,075 entered Canada, or 41.5 per cent. over the total for the first six months of 1921.

There is, however, still a decrease in immigration from the United States as compared with the 1922 figure.

Chemists Discover New Household Gas

It Cheaper Than Ordinary Kind and Perfectly Harmless.

British chemists have evolved a household gas as harmless that would be suitable for use in more than a household.

The new gas which is now in use at Newark-on-Trent, can be produced at about a third of the cost of ordinary gas. It contains only 1.5 per cent. of carbon bisulphide, which is the poisonous element in household gas. American gas contains more than 4 per cent. of this ingredient.

The new gas gives off a pungent, penetrating odor of such power that it can be detected immediately, and this is its protective feature.

Held in many of the largest estates in England are taken to Canada University to take a special course in agriculture.

When the worst comes to the worst it is up to us to make the best of it.

New York World

The Atlantic Outlet For The Western Provinces By Way Of Hudson's Bay

Jaffa Is Opposing Electric Power Plan

Concession Regarded As Political and People Are Rejecting It.

A message from Palestine states that for the present there is little prospect of a settlement between the Jaffa municipality and Mr. Rubenstein, who holds the much-discussed concession for the development of electric power throughout Palestine.

Mr. Rubenstein has not yet utilized the water power or other natural resources of the country, but has erected a large power station at Tel-Aviv near Jaffa. Cable for conveying power have been laid throughout Tel-Aviv, and to the central square of Jaffa, but notwithstanding steady progress in the work, the concession has not been accepted by the Jaffa municipality and the Jewish concessionaire is unsatisfied.

The majority of Jaffa, being exclusively Moslem or Christian, remain uncompromising in their attitude to what they regard as a purely political concession, instead upon the country by certain official Jewish influences.

All the efforts of the Government to persuade the municipality to participate in the scheme have failed, as well as every endeavor to allow the suspicion that the concession is political.

At a meeting of influential citizens of Jaffa it was resolved to oppose every concession by the Government, and to accept acceptance of the scheme. The people of Jaffa have been wearing ribbons inscribed, "Lamp-post of Rubenstein are a culture of our race."

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The alternative route upon which they appear to be steadily on the increase, is that via Hudson's Bay.

It has been promised by Tupper, Laurier and Jordan. It is approved by Melvin and King.

\$150,000 has been spent on the road, and \$400,000 on its terminals, construction has exceeded expectations, and it is within one hundred miles of this water. There has been little open opposition, yet the men in the west feel there has been but half-hearted support. And now, with the problems of marketing more insistent than ever, there is a concerted movement being fostered throughout the prairie provinces for its completion.

In support of their contention they put forward many strong arguments. One is the fact that such a huge sum had already been expended that to abandon it now would be a shocking waste of public money. An equally strong argument is that the route is actually being financed by the west, being paid for out of a special fund known as the Hudson's Bay fund.

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A statement by the Department of the Interior has been issued in 1922, showing that \$25,000,000 has been realized from the sale of these lands, and that half of it has already been paid in cash.

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